SENATE BILL 1708 By Norris

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 17, Chapter 4, relative to judicial selection and evaluation.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 17-4-118(a), is amended by substituting a comma for the period at the end of the sentence and adding the following language:

or the governor may require the commission to submit another panel of three (3) nominees. If the governor rejects a panel of nominees, the governor shall state the reasons for the rejection of the panel in writing for the judicial selection commission.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 17-4-118(d), is amended by substituting a comma for the period at the end of the sentence and adding the following language:

or the governor may require the commission to submit another panel of two (2) nominees. If the governor rejects a panel of nominees, the governor shall state the reasons for the rejection of the panel in writing for the judicial selection commission.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect January 1, 2006, the public welfare requiring it.